



St. Leonhard's

St. Mary's

Holy Cross

OCTOBER 2020



*"The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel"
Responsorial Psalm on October 3/4*

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

The Laity's Mission in the Church - We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

This bulletin contains the parish calendar and the readings for the entire month. Please take this bulletin home with you. If you wish to have the readings with you at Mass, then bring it with you each weekend. Any last minute important updates and announcements will be sent out via email.

PARISH CALENDAR

OCTOBER	2020		
Saturday 3 rd	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 4 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass "Giving Sunday" Fr. Pradvut Bahla
Saturday 10 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
Sunday 11 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
	15.00	Holy Cross	Baptism Zoey Hannah Bhatti
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Saturday 17 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 18 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
	16.00	St. Mary's	Baptism Matteo Piiparinen
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Saturday 24 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 25 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
	after Mass	Holy Cross Parish Hall	Parish Council Meeting
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla

OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

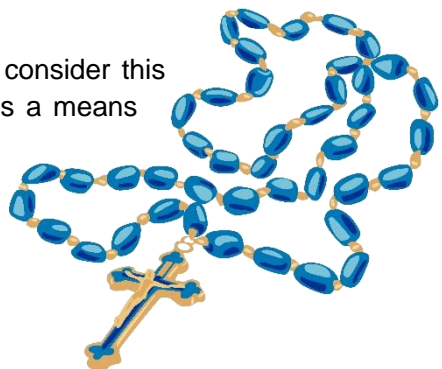
The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

The feast was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572) in the year 1571 to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of the Rosary than the power of cannons and the valor of the soldiers who fought there.

The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarized by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) that the Rosary is "a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p. 419). The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

John Paul II called the Rosary his favorite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated on in her heart (Lk. 2:19) (*Osservatore Romano*, 44; 30 Oct. 1979).

In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.





Due to Corona regulations, you must register to attend Mass. Please use the **online registration system**, which is available from Monday mornings to Fridays noon. Simply go to our website: www.parish-frankfurt.de and follow the

instructions: Available seating at each of the 3 church locations:

St. Leonhard's – Saturdays at 18.00 (6 pm) – **45 seats**

Holy Cross – Sundays at 9:30 am – **85 seats**

St. Mary's – Sundays at 17.00 (5 pm) – **45 seats**

***** You will find the parish's detailed Corona policy on the handout enclosed with this bulletin. Please read it carefully and follow all the points. Thank you *****

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If you are visiting any of our three church locations, for either a weekend, a few days or if you have come to work in this diverse and interesting city/area ... our parish welcomes you! If you are planning on staying a bit longer, we would ask you to please register as a member of our parish. Forms are available from the welcoming ministers in the back of the church or by contacting our parish office. (international@parish-frankfurt.de). Please note that all information is CONFIDENTIAL and is used for internal purposes only.



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Our Parish also has a YouTube channel, called „International English-Speaking Parish“, where you will find spiritual reflections and also videos for the kids from the Children's Catechism Group. Future planned videos are “Ask us Anything” and also videos highlighting the 3 church locations. So check us out at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWg4q4pi1Ci13F1vW5XjmQw>

If you like what you see, give it a “like” and also please click the “subscribe” button so that you will automatically receive the latest videos as soon as they become available.



It's easy and convenient to find the daily Mass readings online. Simply go to our parish website and follow the link. There is also a wonderful app called "Laudate" which you can download to your phone and have the readings always at hand. Or you can view them online, for example, on the site Universalis: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING OCTOBER

October 4th = for Papal projects throughout the world

October 25th = Missio Collection



"Missio helps support various local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Sometimes this need might be very specific: a motorbike for a Priest to celebrate Mass in remote villages; a simple community hall so people can gather together; vaccinations to protect vulnerable children. Whatever our missionaries need to help them share the joy of the Gospel, Missio strives to provide it."
(taken from www.missio.org.uk)

SOCIAL EVENTS – Even though we are now allowed to celebrate Mass together, it is still not allowed to have larger gatherings afterwards. This means that all coffee socials in Holy Cross and all Sharing Sundays at St. Mary's are cancelled until further notice.

PARISH OFFICE - The Parish Office in Frankfurt is now open for visitors during the published office hours ... but with appointments only. Please call or email beforehand if you need to come to the office. Also, face masks must be worn the entire time and the distance of 1,5 meters must be kept.

*** **EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST** *** – Things are changing quickly and each week we at the parish office receive new rules and regulations from the Diocese and from the State, which we pass on as quickly as possible to our parishioners. However, in order to receive all relevant updates and also the weekly bulletin, you must be on the parish email distribution list. If you are not yet on the email distribution list, please send your email to: international@parish-frankfurt.de and we will add you.

PARISH WEBSITE - for all relevant information, update and also the link for Mass registration: www.pariah-frankfurt.de

INFORMING US OF SICK PARISHIONERS – Please inform the parish office – or Father Christian personally – if a parishioner has been hospitalized (also which hospital, station and room number).

St.
Leonhards

FOOD DONATIONS – Each Saturday at Mass we collect non-perishable, non-refrigerated food for the Mother Teresa Sisters (things like marmalade, fruit teas, sugar, margarine, dried meats, e.g. salami). Simply place your items in the basket in the back of church.

Holy
Cross

FOOD DONATIONS - We would like to start up the weekly food collection again for the Mother Teresa Sisters and are looking for a driver willing to bring the food to them. It would be helpful if there was a back-up driver also. The sisters live in the area of Platz de Republic in Frankfurt and it is easy to reach. Please contact Nancy Clements (nancy.clements@t-online.de/ 069 5068 4493) if you would like to volunteer.

St.
Mary's

"GIVING SUNDAY" – **Sunday, October 4th**
The first Sunday of each month is "Giving Sunday" at St. Mary's where we have a special 2nd collection to support the charity Mary's Meals.

HOFHEIMER TAFEL - Please note that in addition to Giving Sundays, it is also possible to bring your donations for the Hofheimer Tafel on ANY Sunday of the year to St. Mary's. Simply place your non-perishable foods and toiletries in the green baskets located in the back of the church.

MASS RESPONSES

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Or

PRIEST: Lord, have mercy.

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy.

PRIEST: Christ, have mercy.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Profession of Faith (Apostles Creed)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic

Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

Invitation to Prayer

PRIEST: Pray, brethren .. acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

PEOPLE: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue

PRIEST: The Lord be with you. PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right and just.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

PRIEST: The mystery of faith.

PEOPLE: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

The Lord's Prayer

PEOPLE: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is I heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

PRIEST: ... and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

PEOPLE: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Sign of Peace

PRIEST: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

PRIEST: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

October 3rd & 4th

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING – Isaiah 5: 1-7

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; but he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Response: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

SECOND READING – Philippians 4: 6-9

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL – Matthew 21: 33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:

“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a

watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another.

Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'

So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom."

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

*October 10th & 11th
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

FIRST READING – Isaiah 25:6-10a

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with

marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. his is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

R: I shall dwell in the house of the lord my whole life long.

SECOND READING – Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters: I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. In any case, it was kind of you to share my distress. ... And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL – Matthew 22: 1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves

to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them.

The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."



FOR MANY ARE CALLED ...

BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN

Matthew 22:14

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

*October 17th & 18th
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

FIRST READING – Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him — and the gates shall not be closed: “For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.”

Response: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

SECOND READING – 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5ab

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians.

From Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace. ... We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.

GOSPEL – Matthew 22: 15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?”

But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.”

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

*October 24th & 25th
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

FIRST READING – Exodus 22: 21-27

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Thus says the Lord:

“You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans.

If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them.

If you take your neighbor's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; for it may be your neighbor's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbor cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate.

R: I love you, O Lord, my strength. I love you, O Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING – 1 Thessalonians 1: 5c-10

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians.

Brothers and sisters:

You know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

GOSPEL – Matthew 22: 34-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?”

He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

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THE TOTAL GOSPEL

(a reflection by Flor McCarthy, SDB)

To separate the two great commandments is a tragedy and goes clean contrary to the Gospel.

Yet unfortunately this often happens and when it does the Gospel has been torn in two.

Jesus spoke of two great commandants.

The first – that we should love God.

The second – that we should love our neighbor.

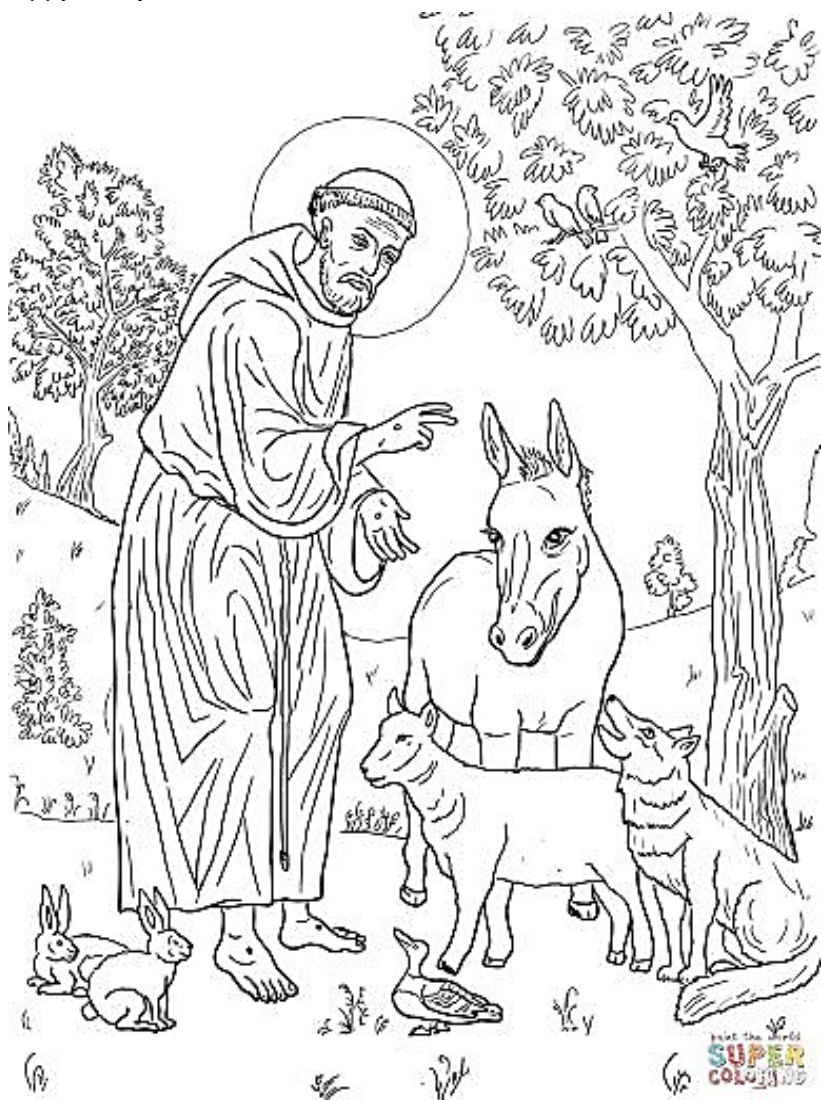
He didn't say that they were the same thing, but that they are like two sides of the same coin.

If we want the total Gospel, we must have both!

And he himself showed us how to do this.

KIDS' PAGE

On October 4th the Church celebrates the feast day of **St. Francis of Assisi**. St. Francis was a monk who gave away everything he had. He was also a great preacher – even the animals listened when he talked about God. St. Francis was very cheerful and helped others to be happy. What can you do to make someone happy today?



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Baptisms arranged with one month notice

Weddings arranged with at least six months' notice

Confession available on request

Spiritual Direction as arranged with the Parish Priest

If you are feeling lonely or afraid or need any other kind of advice,
please contact the Parish office and we will try to help.

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Holy Cross

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Kettelerallee 45
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Mass time: Sundays 9:30 am



St. Mary's

Church location:
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Mass time: Sundays 5.00 pm

